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Notice of Availability for Exclusive, Non-Exclusive, or Partially-Exclusive Licensing of an Invention Concerning Measurements of the Inhibition of Synaptic Activity (MISA) to Detect, Study and Evaluate All Active Botulinum Neurotoxin Serotypes

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Announcement is made of the availability for licensing of the invention set forth in U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 61/851,599, entitled "Measurements of the Inhibition of Synaptic Activity (MISA) to Detect, Study and Evaluate All Active Botulinum Neurotoxin Serotypes," filed on March 8, 2013. The United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Army, has rights to this invention.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The invention relates to measurements of

spontaneous or evoked electrical activity in networked populations of primary neurons or

stem cell-derived neurons as a rapid, sensitive assay for the presence of functional

botulinum neurotoxin (BoNT) in various matrices.

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